

Amendments to the Claims

1. (currently amended) An apparatus including:

~~a cassette;~~

~~wherein the cassette is adapted for use in an automated banking machine;~~

~~wherein the cassette is operative to hold media therein;~~

~~wherein the cassette has an outer surface;~~

~~wherein the cassette includes a plurality of indicator members movably connected thereto;~~

~~wherein each of the members includes an end thereof and an axis;~~

~~wherein the axis is generally perpendicular to the outer surface;~~

~~wherein each end is operative to be moved between a first axial position and a second axial position;~~

wherein at least one of the first and second positions is spaced outwardly from the outer surface;

wherein at least one of the first and second positions is indicative of data regarding the cassette

a security system,

wherein the system is operative to restrict access to the interior of an automated banking machine component,

wherein the system includes a database,

wherein the database includes data representative of images of individuals authorized access to the interior of the automated banking machine component,

wherein the system includes a camera,

wherein the camera is operative to capture an image of an individual,

wherein the system includes image recognition software,

wherein the software is operative to determine whether a captured
image of an individual corresponds to an individual represented in
the database,

wherein the system includes at least one processor,

wherein the at least one processor is operatively connected to the
database and the camera,

wherein the at least one processor is operative to use the software.

2-44. (canceled)

45. (new) The apparatus according to claim 1 and further including an automated banking machine, wherein the automated banking machine includes an automated banking machine component, wherein the component comprises a security container.

46. (new) The apparatus according to claim 45 wherein the security container includes at least one currency cassette.

47. (new) The apparatus according to claim 46 wherein the security container includes a lock control device, wherein access to the interior of the security container is controlled by the lock control device, and wherein the lock control device is operatively connected to the at least one processor.

48. (new) The apparatus according to claim 47 wherein the at least one processor is operative to grant access to the interior of the security container responsive to a positive determination.

49. (new) The apparatus according to claim 47 wherein the lock control device requires entry of multiple combinations to permit access to the interior of the security container, wherein the at least one processor is operative to reduce the number of required combinations responsive to a positive determination.

50. (new) The apparatus according to claim 45 wherein the automated banking machine includes the security system.

51. (new) The apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the software comprises facial recognition software, wherein the database includes data representative of facial images corresponding to respective individuals, wherein the software is operative to determine whether a captured facial image of an individual corresponds to an individual represented in the database, and wherein the at least one processor is operative to grant access to the interior of the component responsive to a positive determination.

52. (new) The apparatus according to claim 51 wherein the at least one processor is operative to store a captured facial image in a file.

53. (new) The apparatus according to claim 52 wherein the at least one processor is operative to store in the file the captured facial image along with a date and time of an attempted access to the interior of the component.

54. (new) The apparatus according to claim 52 wherein the at least one processor is operative to store in the file the captured facial image along with a date and time of a granted access to the interior of the component.

55. (new) The apparatus according to claim 54 wherein the at least one processor is operative to store a cassette serial number in the file.

56. (new) The apparatus according to claim 1 and further including an automated banking machine component, wherein the component comprises a currency cassette.

57. (new) The apparatus according to claim 56 wherein the cassette includes a lock control device, wherein access to the interior of the cassette is controlled by the lock control device, and wherein the lock control device is operatively connected to the at least one processor.

58. (new) The apparatus according to claim 57 wherein the at least one processor is operative to grant access to the interior of the cassette responsive to a positive determination.

59. (new) The apparatus according to claim 56 wherein the lock control device requires entry of multiple combinations to permit access to the interior of the cassette, wherein the at least one processor is operative to reduce the number of required combinations responsive to a positive determination.

60. (new) The apparatus according to claim 56 and further including a cassette work station, wherein the work station includes the security system.

61. (new) A method including:

- (a) capturing an image of an individual with a camera;
- (b) determining whether the captured image corresponds to an individual represented in a database;
- (c) responsive to a positive determination in (b), granting a level of access to the interior of an automated banking machine component.

62. (new) The method according to claim 61 wherein (a) includes capturing a facial image of an individual.

63. (new) The method according to claim 62 wherein (b) includes using facial recognition software.

64. (new) The method according to claim 63 wherein (c) includes granting a level of access to the interior of a security container of an automated banking machine, wherein the security container includes at least one currency cassette.

65. (new) The method according to claim 64 wherein the level of access comprises direct access to the interior of the automated banking machine component, wherein (c) includes granting direct access to the security container.

66. (new) The method according to claim 64 wherein access to the interior of the automated banking machine component requires entry of multiple combinations corresponding to multiple levels of access, wherein (c) includes bypassing a required combination.

67. (new) The method according to claim 61 wherein at least one processor is operatively connected to the database and the camera, wherein (b) includes using the at least one processor to determine whether the captured image corresponds to an individual represented in the database.

68. (new) The method according to claim 67 wherein the component comprises a currency cassette, wherein (c) includes granting a level of access to the interior of the currency cassette.